Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1118 S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2015 State of Hawaii

## Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 1118 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR HAZARD EVALUATION AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE PREPAREDNESS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to preserve public health by making an emergency appropriation to the environmental response revolving fund.

Specifically, this measure appropriates \$1,050,000 in general fund revenues for deposit into the environmental response revolving fund for the purpose of hazard evaluation and emergency response preparedness for the remainder of fiscal year 2014-2015.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Health.

Your Committee finds that declining consumption of petroleum products in the State has led to a reduction in revenues to the environmental response revolving fund, which receives \$0.05 of the \$1.05 barrel tax, and is the primary source of funding for environmental hazard evaluation and emergency response preparedness. Your Committee also finds that an emergency appropriation is necessary to allow the Department of Health to continue to provide necessary environmental services for the remainder of the 2014-2015 fiscal year.

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Your Committee notes that, should S.B. No. 359 or another measure increase the barrel tax distribution to the environmental response revolving fund, pursuant to amendments made to section 243-3.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, your Committee will be working with the appropriate Standing Committees of the House of Representatives and your Committee on Conference to retrieve a portion of the funds deposited into the environmental response revolving fund by this emergency appropriation.

Your Committee has amended this measure by reducing both the appropriation from the general fund to the environmental response revolving fund and the appropriation out of the environmental response revolving fund to the amount of \$800,000.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1118, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1118, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Eighth Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* SBIII8	Committee Referral: Date: 2/25/15				
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	<b>5</b> .				_
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)		V			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne		V			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.					
ENGLISH, J. Kalani		V			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	-				V
HARIMOTO, Breene		V			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.					
RIVIERE, Gil		V			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.		V			
SLOM, Sam					
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TOTAL		10		10	
Recommendation:  Adopted  Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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